(b) how many of these Units are located in Karnataka; and

(c) what measures have been taken by Government to force such industries to reduce pollution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IN-DEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir. 17 categories of heavily polluting industries namelv cement, thermal power plants, iron and steel, fertiliser, zinc smelter, copper smelter, aluminium smelter, oil refinery, distillery, pesticides, pulp & paper (large & small), basic drugs, dyes and dye intermediates, petrochemicals, tanneries, sugar and pharmaceuticals, have been identified throughout the country. The names of the units are not available with the Government.

(b) Out of 17 categories of heavily polluting industries, 14 categories are located in Karnataka, and the State Pollution Control Board have identified 159 such polluting units.

(c) The Government has taken the following steps for the prevention, abatement and control of pollution;

(i) Effluent and emission standards have been prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986;

(ii) Networks of ambient air quality and ambient water quality monitoring stations have been set up;

(iii) Environmental guidelines have been evolved for sitting! and operation of industries;

(iv) Industries have been asked to comply with consent requirements of the State Pollution Control Boards to keep the discharge of effluents and emissions within the stipulated limits;

(v) A time bound action plan for control of highly polluting 17 categories of industries has been prepared in consultation with the State Governments and a Notification has been issued under which polluting units are required to meet the standards by December 31, 1991;

(vi) Fiscal incentives are provided for installation of pollution control equipment;

(vii) A scheme has been initiated to give assistance to cluster of small scale industrial units for setting up common effluent treatment plants.

Income tax exemption of LTC sought by Judges of Supreme Court and High Court

1186. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister- of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether judges of Supreme Court and High Courts have sought income-tax exemption on leave travel concession admissible to them; and

(b) if so, what is the Government's reaction thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENT-ARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KUMAR A-MANGALAM): (a) and (b) A proposal to exempt the value of leave travel concession admissible to judges of Supreme Court and High Courts for purposes of computation of income-tax was received from the Supreme Court Registry and the same is still under examination.

Slowing down of global warming

1187. SHRI MAHENDRA PRA-SAD: SHRI MURLIDHAR CHAND-RAKANT BHANDARE:
DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether during Rajiv Gandhi Memorial Lectures on Climate